Promotion of education among minority communities

706. SHRI K.M. KHAN: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether any special programmes have been formulated by Government for promotion of Education amongst minority communities;

(b) if so, the total budget provision made and spent on each of the programmes during the last three years;

(c) whether Government are contemplating to increase the budget provision for these programmes;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DR. MURLI MANOHAR JOSHI): (a) Yes, Sir. Under the National policy on Education 1986, the following programmes have been formulated for the promotion of Education amongst Minority Communities:—

(i) Area Intensive Programme for Educationally Backward Minorities;

(ii) Financial assistance for the Modernisation of Madrasas;

(iii) Appointment of Urdu teachers in State/UT Government schools;

There are also two programmes of the National Council for the Promotion of Urdu Language (NCPUL) that help promote education amongst the minority community; *i.e.*,

(iv) Dask Top Publishing Computer Application Programme in Urdu; and

(v) Financial assistance to Non-Government organisations for engaging teachers in Urdu, Arabic and Persian.

Besides, the University Grants Commission runs—

(vi) Coaching Classes for the Weaker Sections Amongst the Educationally Backward Minorities; and

in addition.

(vii) The central scheme of Community Polytechnics *inter alia* also benefits minorities.

(b) to (e) The budget and expenditure incurred scheme-wise, during the last three years and the budget estimates for the current year are enclosed as statement (*See* below).

Except for the scheme for the appointment of Urdu teachers, the budget for each programme has in general increased from year to year. The budget reflects the demand for and response to each scheme. For the appointment of Urdu teachers, no suitable proposals were received from any State/UT Government in any year.

Statement

The budget and expenditure incurred scheme wise, during the last three years and the budget estimates for the current year

(Rs. in Crores)

S. No.	Name of the Scheme	1998-99		1999-2000		2000-01		2001-02
		BE	Exp.	BE	Exp.	BE	Exp.	BE
1	Area Intensive Programme for Educationally Backward Minorities	13.00	13.52	15.00	11.43	18.00	16.70	20.00
2	Financial Assistance for Modernisation of Madarasa Education	7.00	6.74	10.00	4.61	12.00	6.61	12.00
3	Appointment of Urdu teachers	0.80	—	0.50	—	1.75	—	1.00
4	DTP Computer Application in Urdu (NCPUL)	0.50	0.49	2.30	2.24	3.53	3.15	4.90
5	Financial assistance to Non-Governmental Organsiation for engaging teachers in Urdu, Arabic and Persian (NCPUL)	0.06	0.05	0.18	0.16	0.20	0.20	0.20
6	Coaching Classes for the Weaker Sections Amongst the Educationally Backward Minotries (UGC)	0.50	0.75	0.50	0.49	0.70	1.08	1.00
7	Community Polytechnics	68.00	3.39	50.00	19.99	50.90	13.95	50.90

* BE (Plan) is budget for entire scheme.
Expenditure reflects figures only for minorities.

** Expenditure was more than original budget estimate that year.